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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
22nd July **1871.**

No. 381. Read the following papers :—

From Mrs. A. COLQUHOUN, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madura, 26th June 1871.

I BEG to submit, for the generous and compassionate consideration and orders of Government, the accompanying bill for Rupees 328-13-2, being salary and travelling allowances due to my unfortunate husband, as the Controller, in the enclosed memorandum, states he cannot pass it unless under the special sanction of Government.

2. I beg to state that I and my childern are now labouring under great privations, and we are depending for our daily sustenance on the bounty of a couple of friends at *this* place. The sanction therefore of the arrears of pay, etc., will be a great boon towards relieving us in our present destitution.

3. I humbly pray Government will take this our unfortunate and distressed position into merciful consideration, and cause the amount to be disbursed *to me.*

No. 382. Memorandum from Controller of Public Works Accounts, dated Madras, 1st July 1871, No. 901.

WITH reference to the memorandum from the Secretary to Government, No. 233, dated 29th June 1871, the Controller of Public Works Accounts has the honour to state that nothing is known in this office of the grounds on which Mr. Colquhoun claims travelling allowance while in attendance on Captain Oakes in September and October last.

1 Original Bill.
1 Do. Memorandum.
1 Bill for February and March 1871, with receipt attached.

2. Mr. Colquhoun was suspended on the 9th September 1870, and, while under suspension, drew up to the end of March 1871 *a moiety of his salary* as subsistence allowance, agreeably to G. O., No. 96, dated 13th January 1871.

3. Under the Standing Order of the Government of India, No. 17, circulated with G. O., No. 871, dated 17th March 1869, Mr. Colquhoun is entitled, in addition to the prescribed subsistence allowance, to any horse allowance which he may have been in receipt of at the time of his suspension. Seeing, however, that the authorized rate of subsistence allowance to an Uncovenanted Servant during suspension is one-fourth of his salary, and that Mr. Colquhoun was allowed, under the G. O. above quoted, to draw *one-half,** it rests with Government to determine whether horse allowance, single or double, shall be passed to Mr. Colquhoun in addition.

* Rupees 200 per mensem.

4. It is presumed that the claim to subsistence allowance for 13 days made in the enclosed bill has reference to April 1871, as a passed bill* for March was presented by Mrs. Colquhoun on the 11th of the following month to the officer in charge of the Palamcottah Range, and paid by the latter.

* Herewith enclosed.

(Signed) S. BROCK,
Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
22nd July **1871.**

No. 383. ORDER THEREON, 22nd July 1871, No. 1,934.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 45.

HIS Excellency the Governor in Council authorizes the Controller of Public Works Accounts to pass to the late Sub-Engineer Colquhoun the monthly allowance sanctioned to be disbursed to him in G. O., No. 96, dated 13th January 1871, up to the date of his conviction in the Sessions Court.

2. The claim to horse allowance during suspension is inadmissible under the rules, as the Sub-Engineer was not on receipt of such an allowance at the time of his suspension.

3. The claim to travelling allowance from 16th September to 30th October 1870 will be referred to the Superintending Engineer of the 8th Division with a view to his reporting whether the Sub-Engineer travelled with Captain Oakes during that period.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To Mrs. Colquhoun.
To the Acting Superintending Engineer, 8th Division.
,, Controller of Public Works Accounts.

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Madura
26th June 1871

To
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Public Works Department
Madras

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I humbly pray Government will take this our unfortunate and distressed position into merciful consideration, and cause the amount to be disbursed to me

I remain
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Adelaide Colquhoun
Wife of C. Colquhoun

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Pri. Govt. Secy.
No. 2996.
From.
Mrs A. Colquhoun.
Dated 26 } June 1871
Recd: 27 }
Enc: No. 2.
Requesting that Govt will authorise the payment to her of the salary and travelling allowance due to Mr C. Colquhoun -
No 1432 - 22 July/71

No 901

Office of the Controller of
Public Works Accounts
Madras, 1st July 1871.

Memorandum.

Enclosures 3.
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S. Mrock

Controller of Public Works Accounts.

To,
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Fort St George.

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From
The Controller of
N.W. Accounts
Madras.

To,
The Secretary to
Government
N.W. Deptt.
Fort St. George

Dated 1st July 1871
Recd. 3rd [illegible]
No. 1934 - 22nd July 71

No. 901

Stating inability to furnish information as to the claim to Travelling allowance prefered by Mr. Colquhoun while in attendance on Captain Oakes in September and October last and affording particulars regarding that Officer's Horse allowance

No. 382

C 8 July/71

P. W. D.

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Read the following

From

Mr. A. Colquhoun	(H. E. — d 26 June 1871)
The Controller of P. W. Accts.	(H. E. No. 901 d 1st July 1871)

As the late Sub Engineer A Colquhoun was not in the receipt of Horse allowance he would not under circumstances of suspension be entitled during suspension to such allowance; and taking into consideration that he was granted a moiety of his salary while under suspension which he drew up to

This seems to me to be too harsh & not to enter sufficiently into the merits of the case.

Mr. Colquhoun claims three things

1. Subsistence allowance for 13 days up to March 13.
2. Travelling allowance.
3. Horse allowance.

The first claim seems to be an error for subsistence allowance has been paid up to March 31. If Mr. Colquhoun has drawn the means for the 1st to the 13th April I would pass subsistence allowance up to the date

31st March last, and looking to the circum stance of his conviction for fraud, the Govt decline to admit any further claim from him on any account –

G. 5th

— This is not humane in reply to Mrs Colquhoun — The Govt ought not, I think, to make such sweeping refusals – every claim must be judged on its merits.

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of the sentence passed against Mr Colquhoun in the Civil & Session's Court.

The question of travelling allowance should be decided deliberately on its merits conformably to existing regulations.

Horse allowance should not, I think, be awarded for the period during which Mr Colquhoun was confined.

He made no use of horses and received by the County Regt half battery as below [illegible] allowance

C 8th July/71

To Mrs Colquhoun.

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No. 1934. P. W. Department.

Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 22 July 1871

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" The Controller of P. W. Accounts (H. E. No. 901 of 1 July 1871)

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Mrs Colquhoun
S Engr 8 Dn with bill & vouchers
Controller with Pay Abstract for receipt
Despd 24/7/71.

Nos 2996 & 3126

Govt of 1871 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To Mrs. Colquhoun

Immediate

Dated

Recd. Encl.

G. O. 22° July 1871, No 1934.

Nos. 381 @ 383

Mr Colquhoun, late Sub Engr. P. W. D.

Passing orders on letter from Mrs Colquhoun ~~professing a claim~~ requesting that Govt will authorize the payment to her of the salary & travelling allowance due to her husband.